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Interview Summary

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Richard Waldon

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(2) Mr. Clark Dexter

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Date of Interview Aug 8, 2002

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 1

Identification of prior art discussed:

Roy et al., pn 5,586,479

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Mr. Waldon called to discuss the differences between the claimed invention and the prior art, specifically Roy et al. Applicant's position is that Roy et al. requires edge registry in order to operate properly while no such edge registry is required by the present invention. Further, because edge registry is not required, applicant's position is that the sensors can be placed closer together to accommodate various sizes of sheet material, and that sheet material with multi-directional boundaries can be fed through the machine more than once (e.g., a sheet containing orthogonal boundaries can be cut in a first direction, and then the sheet can be fed back through the machine to cut the sheet an orthogonal direction). Mr. Dexter stated that applicant's position would be further considered upon receipt of the formal amendment.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

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Examiner's signature, if required

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